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15. SUMMARY:

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~~(S/NFD)~~ This IR forwards comments on the present state of operations and power of the National Intelligence Directorate (DINA). Source is very well placed in the government and is in a position to know. He did not voluntarily give this information it was elicited from him while talking about another subject.

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- ~~(S/NFD)~~ Source while in a conversation with R.O. on another topic said "it can be done if it can get approval from DINA". When queried by R.O. what source meant he said their are three sources of power in Chile quote PINOCHET, GOD, and DINA unquote. The original topic of conversation was on the legality involved in an act of jurisprudence. Source stated quote "no judge in any court or any minister in the government is going to question the matter any further if DINA says that they are now handling the matter" unquote.
- ~~(S/NFD)~~ R.O. COMMENTS: It would appear that DINA has come a long way in organization and authority since its inception. The topic of conversation that elicited the information had nothing to do with intelligence. It involved possible legal technicalities that would preclude the courts from acting on a matter.

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If DINA has spread out to the point where it can take a case out of the normal legal channels without recourse by the courts or other executive agencies; it has become a power to be watched.

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